

The $SU(2)$ Yang-Mills Fields Must be Massive

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Abstract

The massive Lagrangian for W and Z is deduced from the canonical massless one.

Let W_μ ($\mu \in \{t, x, y, z\}$) be a $SU(2)$ Yang-Mills field:

$$W_\mu = \begin{bmatrix} W_{0,\mu} & W_{1,\mu} - iW_{2,\mu} \\ W_{1,\mu} + iW_{2,\mu} & -W_{0,\mu} \end{bmatrix},$$

for a unitary transformation U :

$$W'_\mu = UW_\mu U^{-1} - \frac{i}{g_2} (\partial_\mu U) U^{-1},$$

$$F_{\mu,\nu} = \partial_\mu W_\nu - \partial_\nu W_\mu - ig_2 [W_\mu, W_\nu],$$

the Lagrangian:

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{\mu,\nu} F^{\mu,\nu} F_{\mu,\nu}.$$

Hence the Euler-Lagrange equations are the following:

$$\sum_\nu \partial^\nu (\partial_\mu W_\nu - \partial_\nu W_\mu - ig_2 [W_\mu, W_\nu]) = 0.$$

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For the components:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} \partial_{\nu} W_{0,\mu} &= 2g_2 \sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} (W_{1,\mu} W_{2,\nu} - W_{2,\mu} W_{1,\nu}) + \partial_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} W_{0,\nu}, \\ \sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} \partial_{\nu} W_{1,\mu} &= 2g_2 \sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} (W_{0,\nu} W_{2,\mu} - W_{0,\mu} W_{2,\nu}) + \partial_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} W_{1,\nu}, \\ \sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} \partial_{\nu} W_{2,\mu} &= 2g_2 \sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} (W_{0,\mu} W_{1,\nu} - W_{0,\nu} W_{1,\mu}) + \partial_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} W_{2,\nu}.\end{aligned}$$

Let:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_{0,\mu,\nu} &= \partial_{\nu} W_{0,\mu} - 2g_2 (W_{1,\mu} W_{2,\nu} - W_{2,\mu} W_{1,\nu}), \\ \alpha_{1,\mu,\nu} &= \partial_{\nu} W_{1,\mu} - 2g_2 (W_{0,\nu} W_{2,\mu} - W_{0,\mu} W_{2,\nu}), \\ \alpha_{2,\mu,\nu} &= \partial_{\nu} W_{2,\mu} - 2g_2 (W_{0,\mu} W_{1,\nu} - W_{0,\nu} W_{1,\mu}).\end{aligned}\tag{1}$$

Hence if $\sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} W_{\nu} = 0$ then

$$\sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} \alpha_{0,\mu,\nu} = 0, \sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} \alpha_{1,\mu,\nu} = 0, \sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} \alpha_{2,\mu,\nu} = 0.$$

and (see 1 APPENDIX):

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} W_{0,\mu} &= -4g_2^2 W_{0,\mu} \sum_{\nu} W_{\nu}^2 + \\ + 2g_2^2 \sum_{\nu} (W_{\mu} W_{\nu} + W_{\nu} W_{\mu}) W_{0,\nu} &+ 2g_2 \sum_{\nu} (\alpha_{1,\mu,\nu} W_{2,\nu} - \alpha_{2,\mu,\nu} W_{1,\nu}),\end{aligned}\tag{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} W_{1,\mu} &= -4g_2^2 W_{1,\mu} \sum_{\nu} W_{\nu}^2 + \\ + 2g_2^2 \sum_{\nu} (W_{\nu} W_{\mu} + W_{\mu} W_{\nu}) W_{1,\nu} &+ 2g_2 \sum_{\nu} (W_{0,\nu} \alpha_{2,\mu,\nu} - \alpha_{0,\mu,\nu} W_{2,\nu})\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} W_{2,\mu} &= -4g_2^2 W_{2,\mu} \sum_{\nu} W_{\nu}^2 + \\ + 2g_2^2 \sum_{\nu} (W_{\nu} W_{\mu} + W_{\mu} W_{\nu}) W_{2,\nu} &+ 2g_2 \sum_{\nu} (\alpha_{0,\mu,\nu} W_{1,\nu} - W_{0,\nu} \alpha_{1,\mu,\nu}).\end{aligned}$$

If

$$\alpha_{\mu,\nu} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_{0,\mu,\nu} & \alpha_{1,\mu,\nu} - i\alpha_{2,\mu,\nu} \\ \alpha_{1,\mu,\nu} + i\alpha_{2,\mu,\nu} & -\alpha_{0,\mu,\nu} \end{bmatrix}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} W_{\mu} &= -4g_2^2 W_{\mu} \sum_{\nu} W_{\nu}^2 + \\ + 2g_2^2 \sum_{\nu} (W_{\nu} W_{\mu} + W_{\mu} W_{\nu}) W_{\nu} &- ig_2 \sum_{\nu} (\alpha_{\mu,\nu} W_{\nu} - W_{\nu} \alpha_{\mu,\nu})\end{aligned}$$

and the Lagrangian is:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\mathcal{L}} = & \sum_{\nu} (\partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}) (\partial_{\nu} W_{\mu}) - 4g_2^2 (\sum_{\nu} W_{\nu}^2) W_{\mu}^2 + \\ & + g_2^2 \sum_{\nu} (W_{\nu} W_{\mu} + W_{\mu} W_{\nu})^2 - \\ & - ig_2 ((\sum_{\nu} [\alpha_{\mu,\nu}, W_{\nu}]) W_{\mu} + W_{\mu} (\sum_{\nu} [\alpha_{\mu,\nu}, W_{\nu}])).\end{aligned}$$

It is a lagrangian of a field with mass $2g_2 (\sum_{\nu} W_{\nu}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$.

Let B_{μ} be a Abel gauge field:

$$B'_{\mu} = B_{\mu} - \frac{1}{g_1} \partial_{\mu} \chi$$

Let A_{μ} and Z_{μ} are a fields for which:

$$Z_{\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} (g_2 W_{0,\mu} - g_1 B_{\mu}), \quad A_{\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} (g_2 B_{\mu} + g_1 W_{0,\mu}) \quad (3)$$

and

$$\sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} \partial_{\nu} A_{\mu} = 0. \quad (4)$$

Let us designate:

$$2 \left(2 \sum_{\nu} W_{\nu}^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = v$$

and

$$2g_2^2 \sum_{\nu} (W_{\mu} W_{\nu} + W_{\nu} W_{\mu}) W_{0,\nu} + 2g_2 \sum_{\nu} (\alpha_{1,\mu,\nu} W_{2,\nu} - \alpha_{2,\mu,\nu} W_{1,\nu}) = \Lambda.$$

Hence from (2):

$$\sum_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} \partial_{\nu} W_{0,\mu} = -g_2^2 \frac{v^2}{2} W_{0,\mu} + \Lambda \quad (5)$$

In this case (see 2 APPENDIX):

$$\sum_{\nu} \partial^{\nu} \partial_{\nu} Z_{\mu} = -\frac{1}{4} v^2 (g_1^2 + g_2^2) Z_{\mu} -$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \left(\frac{1}{2g_1} \frac{1}{g_1^2 + g_2^2} (g_2^2 - g_1^2) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} g_1 \right) \left(\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu B_\mu + g_1^2 \frac{v^2}{2} B_\mu \right) - \\
& - \left(\frac{1}{2g_2} \frac{1}{g_1^2 + g_2^2} (g_2^2 - g_1^2) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} g_2 \right) \Lambda
\end{aligned}$$

That is Z_μ has got the mass:

$$M_Z = \frac{v}{2} \sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}.$$

1 APPENDIX

From (1):

$$\partial_\nu W_{0,\mu} = (2g_2 (W_{1,\mu} W_{2,\nu} - W_{2,\mu} W_{1,\nu}) + \alpha_{0,\mu,\nu}), \quad (6)$$

$$\partial_\nu W_{1,\mu} = (2g_2 (W_{0,\nu} W_{2,\mu} - W_{0,\mu} W_{2,\nu}) + \alpha_{1,\mu,\nu}), \quad (7)$$

$$\partial_\nu W_{2,\mu} = (2g_2 (W_{0,\mu} W_{1,\nu} - W_{0,\nu} W_{1,\mu}) + \alpha_{2,\mu,\nu}); \quad (8)$$

from (6):

$$\begin{aligned}
& \partial_\nu \partial_\nu W_{0,\mu} = 2g_2 \partial_\nu (W_{1,\mu} W_{2,\nu} - W_{2,\mu} W_{1,\nu}) + \partial_\nu \alpha_{0,\mu,\nu} = \\
& = 2g_2 (\partial_\nu W_{1,\mu} W_{2,\nu} + W_{1,\mu} \partial_\nu W_{2,\nu} - \partial_\nu W_{2,\mu} W_{1,\nu} - W_{2,\mu} \partial_\nu W_{1,\nu}) + \partial_\nu \alpha_{0,\mu,\nu};
\end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

hence from (9), (7) and (8):

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial_\nu \partial_\nu W_{0,\mu} &= 2g_2 \left(\begin{aligned} & (2g_2 (W_{0,\nu} W_{2,\mu} - W_{0,\mu} W_{2,\nu}) + \alpha_{1,\mu,\nu}) W_{2,\nu} - \\ & - (2g_2 (W_{0,\mu} W_{1,\nu} - W_{0,\nu} W_{1,\mu}) + \alpha_{2,\mu,\nu}) W_{1,\nu} - \\ & - W_{2,\mu} \partial_\nu W_{1,\nu} + W_{1,\mu} \partial_\nu W_{2,\nu} \end{aligned} \right) + \\
& + \partial_\nu \alpha_{0,\mu,\nu};
\end{aligned}$$

hence:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \partial_\nu \partial_\nu W_{0,\mu} = \\
& = 2g_2 \left(\begin{aligned} & 2g_2 \left(- (W_{2,\nu}^2 + W_{1,\nu}^2) W_{0,\mu} + (W_{1,\mu} W_{1,\nu} + W_{2,\mu} W_{2,\nu}) W_{0,\nu} \right) + \\ & + \alpha_{1,\mu,\nu} W_{2,\nu} - \alpha_{2,\mu,\nu} W_{1,\nu} + W_{1,\mu} \partial_\nu W_{2,\nu} - W_{2,\mu} \partial_\nu W_{1,\nu} \end{aligned} \right) + \\
& + \partial_\nu \alpha_{0,\mu,\nu};
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\nu \partial_\nu W_{0,\mu} = & -4g_2^2 (W_{2,\nu}^2 + W_{1,\nu}^2 + W_{0,\nu}^2) W_{0,\mu} + \\ & +4g_2^2 (W_{0,\mu} W_{0,\nu} + W_{1,\mu} W_{1,\nu} + W_{2,\mu} W_{2,\nu}) W_{0,\nu} + \\ & +2g_2 (\alpha_{1,\mu,\nu} W_{2,\nu} - \alpha_{2,\mu,\nu} W_{1,\nu} + W_{1,\mu} \partial_\nu W_{2,\nu} - W_{2,\mu} \partial_\nu W_{1,\nu}) + \partial_\nu \alpha_{0,\mu,\nu}; \end{aligned}$$

if $\sum_\nu \partial_\nu W_\nu = 0$ then:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_\nu \partial_\nu \partial_\nu W_{0,\mu} = & -4g_2^2 W_{0,\mu} \sum_\nu W_\nu^2 + \\ & +2g_2^2 \sum_\nu (W_\mu W_\nu + W_\nu W_\mu) W_{0,\nu} + 2g_2 \sum_\nu (\alpha_{1,\mu,\nu} W_{2,\nu} - \alpha_{2,\mu,\nu} W_{1,\nu}); \end{aligned}$$

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From (3):

$$B_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} (g_2 A_\mu - g_1 Z_\mu), \quad W_\mu^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} (g_1 A_\mu + g_2 Z_\mu). \quad (10)$$

and

$$\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu A_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} \left(g_2 \sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu B_\mu + g_1 \sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu W_{0,\mu} \right),$$

from (5):

$$\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu A_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} \left(g_2 \left(\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu B_\mu + g_1^2 \frac{v^2}{2} B_\mu - g_1^2 \frac{v^2}{2} B_\mu \right) + g_1 \left(-g_2^2 \frac{v^2}{2} W_{0,\mu} + \Lambda \right) \right),$$

from (10):

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu A_\mu = & -\frac{v^2}{2} g_1 g_2 \frac{1}{g_1^2 + g_2^2} (2g_1 g_2 A_\mu + (g_2^2 - g_1^2) Z_\mu) + \\ & + \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} \left(g_1 \Lambda + g_2 \left(\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu B_\mu + g_1^2 \frac{v^2}{2} B_\mu \right) \right), \end{aligned}$$

from (4):

$$A_\mu = - \left(g_2^2 - g_1^2 \right) \frac{1}{2g_1g_2} Z_\mu + \frac{1}{v^2 (g_1g_2)^2} \left(g_1\Lambda + g_2 \left(\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu B_\mu + g_1^2 \frac{v^2}{2} B_\mu \right) \right). \quad (11)$$

From (3):

$$\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu Z_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} \left(g_2 \sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu W_{0,\mu} - g_1 \sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu B_\mu \right),$$

from (5):

$$\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu Z_\mu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} \left(\begin{array}{c} g_2 \left(-g_2^2 \frac{v^2}{2} W_{0,\mu} + \Lambda \right) - \\ -g_1 \left(\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu B_\mu + g_1^2 \frac{v^2}{2} B_\mu - g_1^2 \frac{v^2}{2} B_\mu \right) \end{array} \right),$$

from (10):

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu Z_\mu &= -\frac{v^2}{2} \frac{1}{g_1^2 + g_2^2} \left(g_1^4 + g_2^4 \right) Z_\mu - g_1 g_2 \frac{v^2}{2} \frac{1}{g_1^2 + g_2^2} \left(g_2^2 - g_1^2 \right) A_\mu + \\ &+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} \left(g_2 \Lambda - g_1 \left(\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu B_\mu + g_1^2 \frac{v^2}{2} B_\mu \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

and from (11):

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu Z_\mu &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{v^2}{2} \left(g_1^2 + g_2^2 \right) Z_\mu - \\ &- \frac{1}{2g_1g_2} \frac{1}{g_1^2 + g_2^2} \left(g_2^2 - g_1^2 \right) \left(g_1\Lambda + g_2 \left(\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu B_\mu + g_1^2 \frac{v^2}{2} B_\mu \right) \right) + \\ &+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}} \left(g_2 \Lambda - g_1 \left(\sum_\nu \partial^\nu \partial_\nu B_\mu + g_1^2 \frac{v^2}{2} B_\mu \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$